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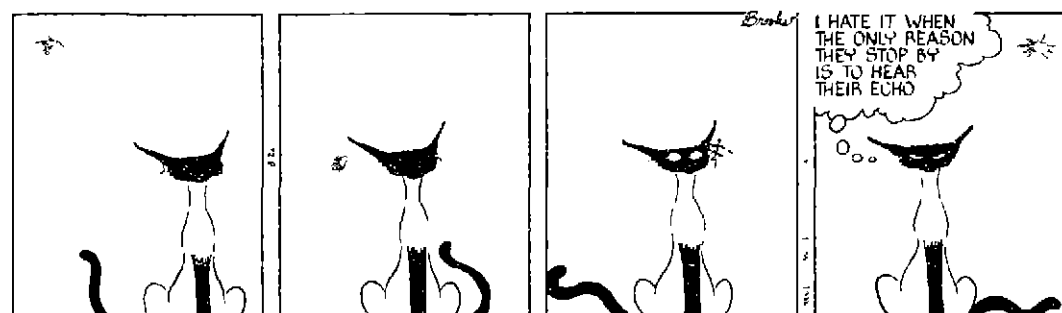
SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



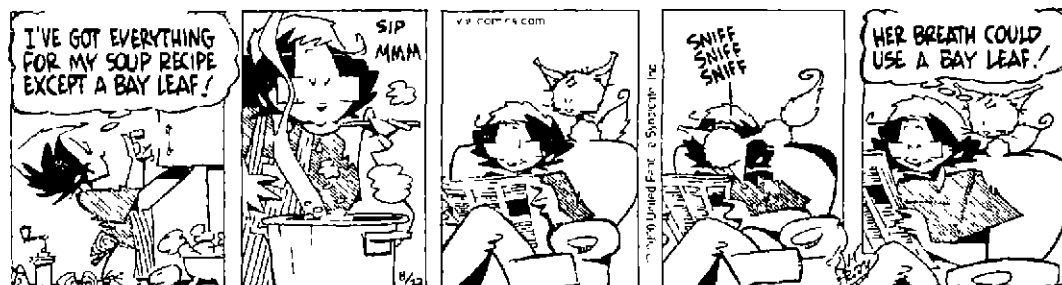
9 CHICKWEED LANE



JUMP START



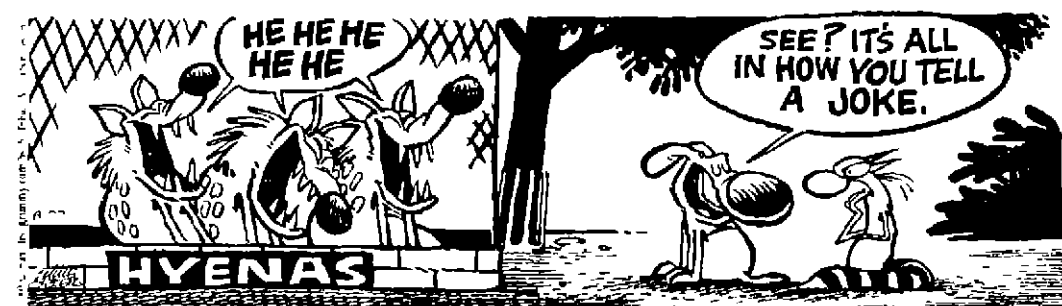
ROSE IS ROSE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



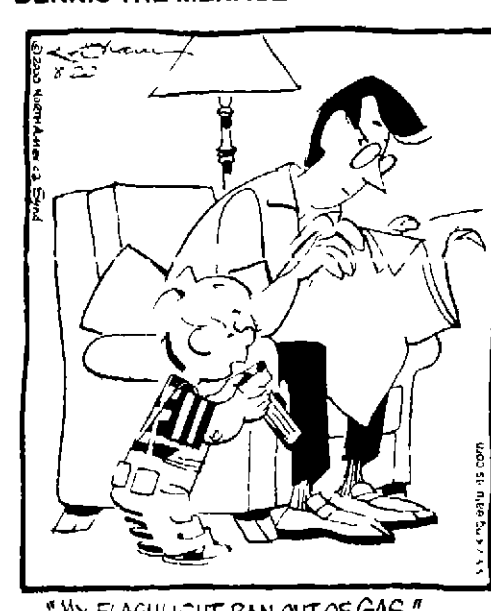
MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



DILBERT



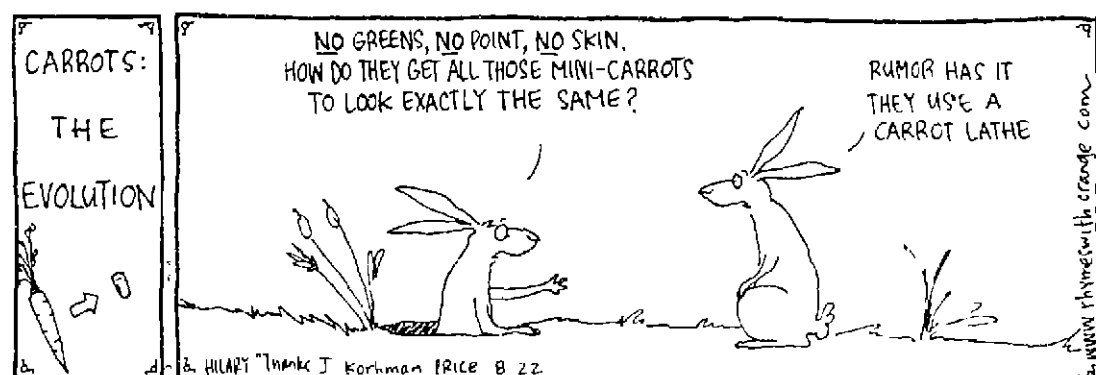
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



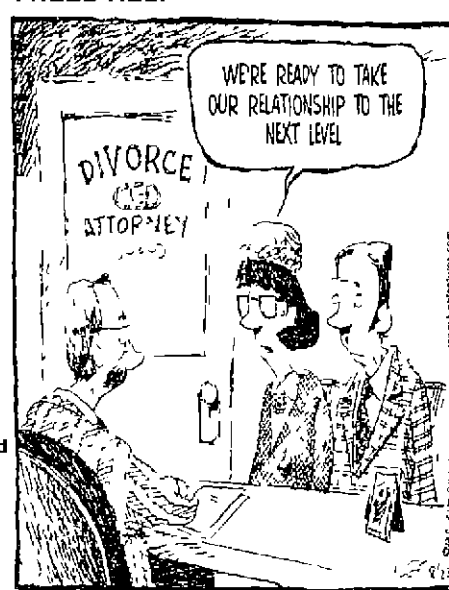
RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Blues singer John Lee Hooker is 83
Author Ray Bradbury is 80
Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf is 66
Actress Cindy Williams is 53
Musician David Marks (The Beach Boys) is 52
Country singer Holly Dunn is 43
Rock musician Vernon Reid is 42
Country singer Collin Raye is 40
Rock singer Roland Orzabal (Tears For Fears) is 39
Rock musician Debbie Peterson (The Bangles) is 39

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE

PAR SCORE 155-165 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add point value of each word using the following scale: 1 = 1 point, 4 = 4 points, 7 = 7 points, 10 = 10 points, 13 = 13 points, 16 = 16 points, 19 = 19 points, 22 = 22 points, 25 = 25 points, 28 = 28 points, 31 = 31 points, 34 = 34 points, 37 = 37 points, 40 = 40 points, 43 = 43 points, 46 = 46 points, 49 = 49 points, 52 = 52 points, 55 = 55 points, 58 = 58 points, 61 = 61 points, 64 = 64 points, 67 = 67 points, 70 = 70 points, 73 = 73 points, 76 = 76 points, 79 = 79 points, 82 = 82 points, 85 = 85 points, 88 = 88 points, 91 = 91 points, 94 = 94 points, 97 = 97 points, 100 = 100 points.

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

ASSOCIATED WITH CHEESE

OXUROLIEBYVHSQN
KHEBYKWTARTOLJG
EBNWICYWGUORPNKI
G SWITZERLAND DBZ
XVRNSDSCQOSMKIG
EBCEANEYWOUYSQP
NLJHKSOHTFERCAD
YDXVEUCUAZZIPSL
QPNEPRAHSRNAMKI
JHHIINFREIGDLOM
CCBZRYXVCUWTRQP

Monday's unlisted clue: CHESTNUT
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Tuesday's unlisted clue hint: A — AND CHEESE PARTY

Aged	Dairy	Nachos	Sharp
Brick	Grated	Pizza	Switzerland
Cheesecloth	Mild	Rind	Wisconsin
Crackers	Mold	Ripe	

For solution, see Classified.

HOROSCOPE

For Wednesday, Aug. 23

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Working in groups not simply leading them might be the best way to accomplish a common goal.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Comfortable compromise is your middle name.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your stunning wit and shocking good looks will be appreciated during this time.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your intuitive nature allows you to pick up on an odd vibe from the people around you.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Unresolved and daunting issues on the home front will only get worse if ignored.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) That extra cup of coffee honed your mind into a sharp and dangerous object.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Your current projects might not be as well-received as you'd like.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Contend with an issue that is been troubling you for a long time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Tell someone special how you really feel.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) A burning long-term question will suddenly answer itself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Finally your creative talents will garner you financial prosperity and recognition.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) You desperately need a change of scenery.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

Today's deal was played in the World Championship match last January. World Bridge Federation grand master Roberto Mello of Brazil made his doubled game while the same contract went down two in the replay. Mello took East's heart nine with his king and led a trump, finessing to dummy's nine! The process of drawing all four of West's trumps placed severe pressure on East. He had to make four discards. He could afford to discard two spades and a diamond. If he discarded a third spade, South would score three spade tricks to make his game. If East discarded a heart, South could establish dummy's long heart for the same result. So East discarded a diamond, blanking his king. Mello then led his diamond 10 to foil the defense. West had to duck, and when East won, he had to lead a major. He exited with his spade queen. Mello won dummy's king and exited dummy with a low heart (!) East had to win one of his honors, but was hopelessly outplayed. If he led a low spade, Mello's 10 would win, and his losing diamond would disappear on dummy's heart ace. And if East exited in hearts instead of spades, Mello would enjoy two discards on dummy's two heart winners.

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0711

ACROSS

1 Place for a fire
5 Oklahoma's state tree
11 Hot resort?
14 Water for Juan
15 May who directed "Ishtar"
16 Middle X of X-X-X
17 It's closed for lighting
18 Initial consideration
20 Powers that be
22 Law, in Lyon
23 Church recess
24 It sweeps across the face
27 Requiring sudden death
28 Amateur sports org

DOWN

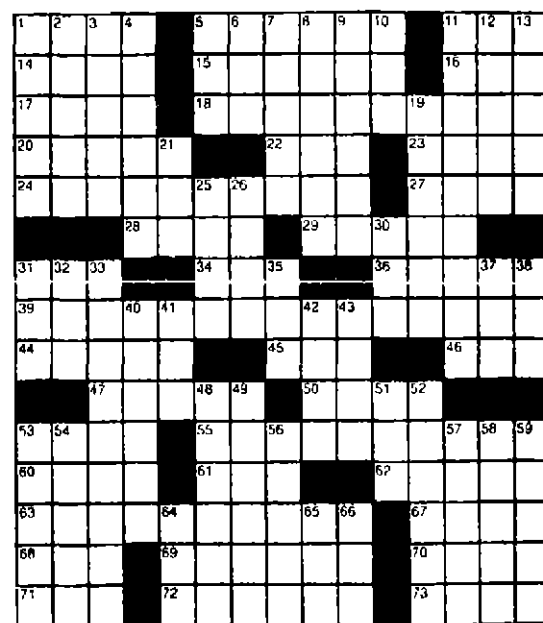
29 Ecclesiastical gathering
31 Buckeyes' sch.
34 Ribosomal
36 Rock (Australian tourist site)
39 Possible title for this puzzle
44 Disney theme park
45 Singing cowboy
46 Wee one
47 Windblown soil
50 "the Wild Wind" (DeMille movie)
53 Do library research
55 Unindustrialized
60 Actor Jannings
61 It comes with a charge
62 Flight segment

DOWN

1 Parisian sidewalk sights
2 Sprightly
3 "The ___ of the spheres"
4 George C. Scott's Oscar-winning role
5 Whistle blower
6 Yalpe
7 "Our Gang" girl
8 Buffalo Bill's jargons Var
9 Piglike
10 Belle of the ball
11 Maximally dense
12 Antiquated
13 Longed (for)
18 Singer Jackson
21 Business letter abbr
25 "Shucks!"
26 Suspend
30 Make a collar
31 Pay dirt
32 Have dinner
33 Like some airport luggage
35 Part of D.A. Abbr
37 Antique auto

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

AMASS BRAG TISM
HAVOC LIMO SPIN
SWEAR OPTS OONA
PITTERPATTER
PLUME AEROSOL
CLIPPETYCLOP
OAF SUMO NERDY
PIES PIKER SERA
STREP ELIA RON
DINGDONGDING
JUPITER SARGE
NO MATOPOEIA
NILE HOAR NIMOY
ETON EVIL SNERD
SYST RELY TSARS



38 Speedy flier
40 Gray matter
41 Suffix with Canaan
42 Mannheim mister
43 Crossed (out)
46 Suppress
49 Yom Kippur horn
51 Comball comebacks
52 Soap ingredient
53 Starting-over place

54 Ham it up
56 Everything
57 Good news on Wall Street
58 More than miffed

59 Arrange gracefully
64 Antonym Abbr.
65 Top of the corp ladder
66 Seabird

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